O. SECONTIES EXCLANOL COMMISSION

#### **APPENDIX 3B**

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# New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Name of entity SANTOS LTD ABN 80 007 550 923 We (the entity) give ASX the following information. JU Part 1 – All issues 1 Class of securities issued or to be issued Fully paid ordinary shares. 2 Number of securities issued or to be issued (if 72,735 known) or maximum number which may be issued. 3 Principal terms of the securities (eg. if options, Consistent with all other ordinary shares on exercise price and expiry \$\frac{1}{4} te; if partly paid issue. securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)

Do the securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing class of quoted securities?

If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:

- the date from which they do
- the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment
- the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment

5 Issue price or consideration

6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)

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As to 45,085 shares \$6.38 per share; As to 27,650 shares \$8.46 per share.

As to 45,085 shares, issue consequent upon exercise of options granted on 12 December 2003 and as to 27,650 shares, issue consequent upon exercise of vested options pursuant to the Santos Executive Share Option Plan.

7	Dates of entering securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates	15 June 2006		
8	Number and class of all securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Refer to item 42		
		Number	Class	
9	Number and class of all securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Refer to item 43		
10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)			
Part 2 – Bonus issue or pro rata issue NOT APPLICABLE				
11	Is security holder approval required?			
12	Is the issue renounceable non-renounceable?			
13	Ratio in which the securities will be offered			

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14	Class of securities to whice the offer relates	
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15	Record date to determine entitlements	
16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	
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17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	
18	Names of countries in which the entity has security holders who will not be sent new issue documents	
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19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	
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20	Names of any underwriters	
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	
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22	Names of any brokers to the issue	
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23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of security holders a	
25	If the issue is contingent on security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	
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26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	
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27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	

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29	Date rights trading will end	(if applicable)	
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(b) [	√ All other securities		
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#### Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38 Number of securities for which quotation is sought

5,439

39 Class of securities for which quotation is sought

Fully paid ordinary shares.

40 Do the securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing class of quoted securities?

If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:

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Consistent with all other ordinary shares on issue.

41 Reason for request for quatation now

Example: In the case of restrictes securities, end of restriction period

(if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)

End of restriction period for 5,439 shares issued on 1 July 2004 at the issue price of \$6.95 per share pursuant to Senior Executive Santos Employee Share Purchase Plan.

42 Number and class of all securities quoted on ASX (*including* the securities in clause 38)

Number	Class
595,844,485	Fully paid ordinary shares.
6,000,000	Franked unsecured equity listed securities (FUELS).

Number and class of all securities not quoted on ASX

Number	Class
	Fully paid ordinary shares issued pursuant to the Santos Employee Share Purchase Plan:
49,800	(i) held by eligible employees; and
96,714	(ii) held by Sesap Pty Ltd as trustee for the benefit of eligible executives.
46,500	Executive share plan '0' shares of 25 cents each paid to 1 cent.
41,500	Executive share plan '2' shares of 25 cents each paid to 1 cent.
601,950	Share Acquisition Rights issued pursuant to the Santos Employee Share Purchase Plan.
1,975,693	Executive options issued pursuant to the Santos Executive Share Option Plan.
17,500	Fully paid ordinary shares issued pursuant to the vesting of SARs.

#### **Quotation Agreement**

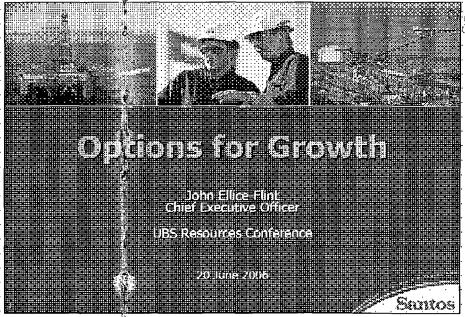
- 1. Quotation of our additional securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the securities on any conditions it decides.
- 2. We warrant the following to ASX.
  - The issue of the securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
  - There is no reason why those securities should not be granted quotation.
  - An offer of the securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.
  - Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to regument any securities to be quoted under section 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the securities be quoted.
  - We warrant that if confirmation is required under section 1017F of the Corporations
     Act in relation to the securities to be quoted, it has been provided at the time that we
     request that the securities be quoted.
  - If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the securities be quoted.
- 3. We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- 4. We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before quotation of the securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

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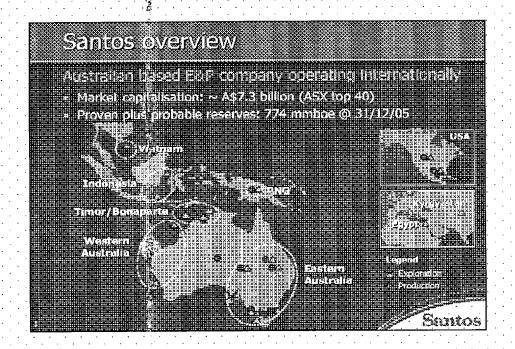


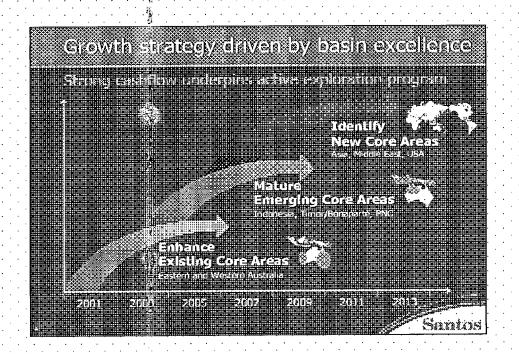
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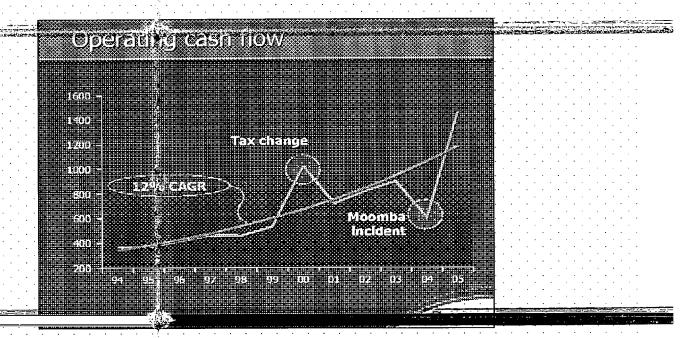
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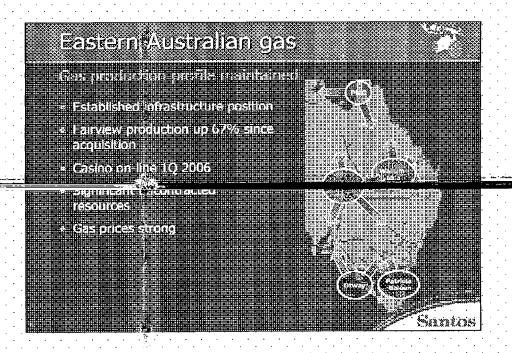
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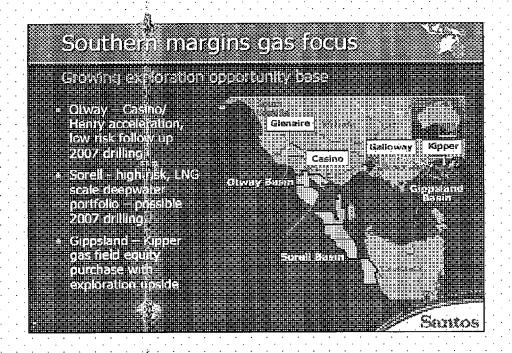
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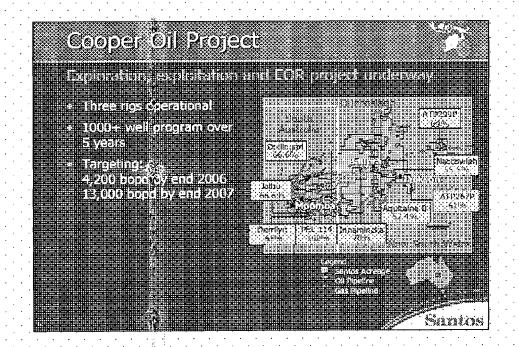


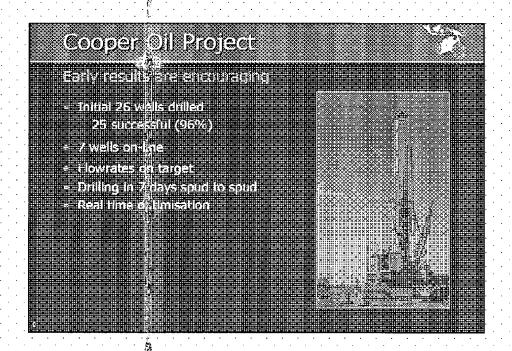


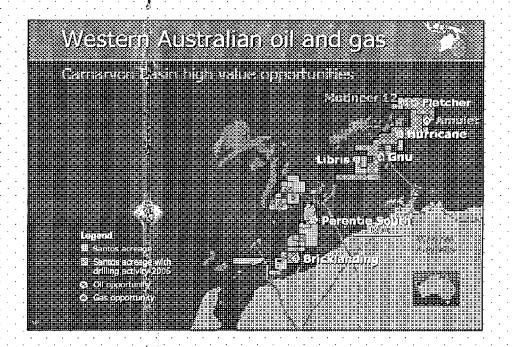


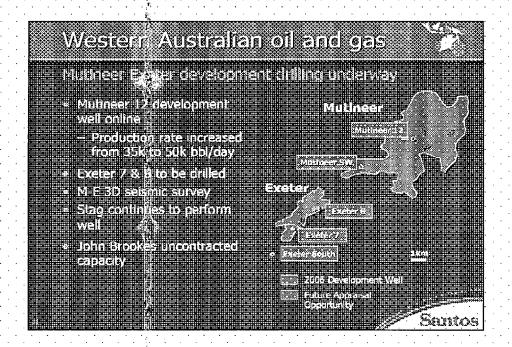


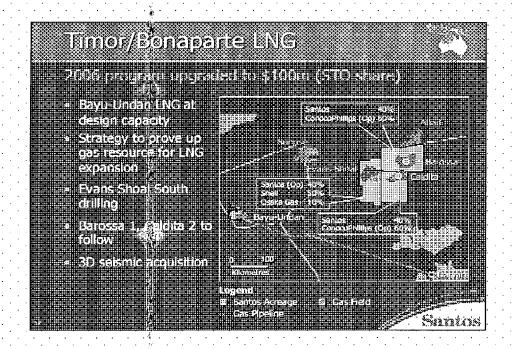


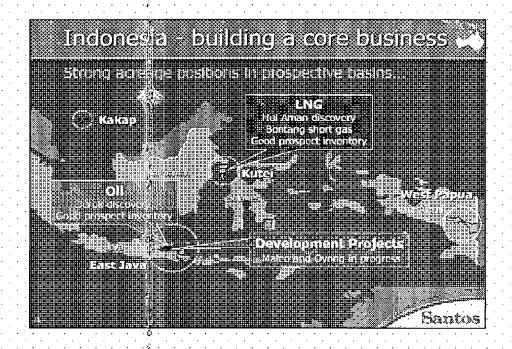


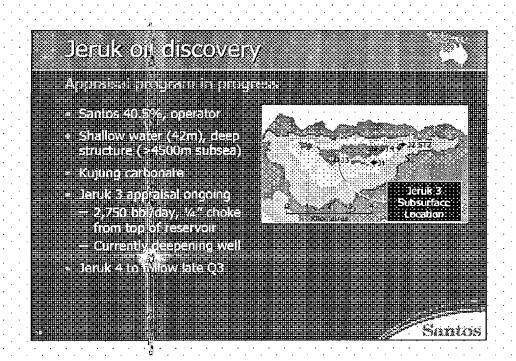


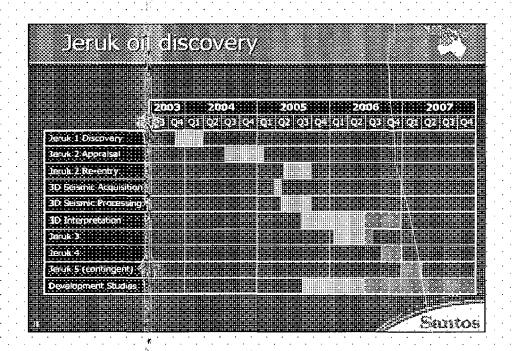


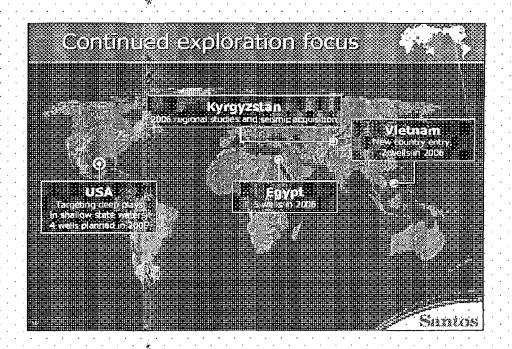


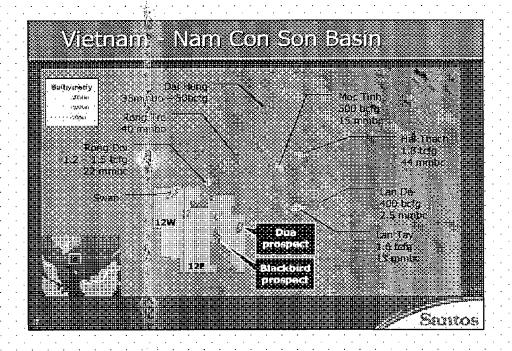


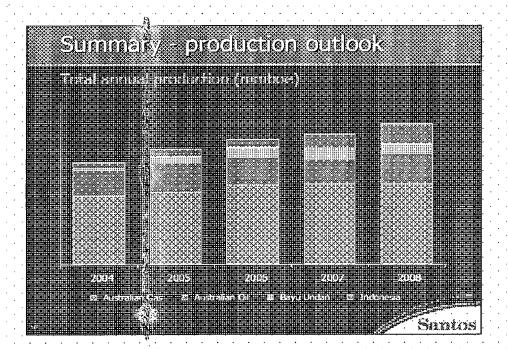












# \* Near term production growth - Eastern Australian gas - Cooper bill program - Maleo, Oyang \* Medium term growth potential - Jeruk appraisal - Timor/ Borkosite LNG - 2.0 on boa contingent resources \* Material exploration program - ~20 widcat wells in 2H 2006 \* Growing production profile - 56 memborin 2005, growing to 60 – 61 memborin 2006

